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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated November 28, 2007, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicants have enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

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